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***Request for Information***

The Applicant(s) and the assignee, if any, are required under 37 CFR 1.105 to provide the following information that the examiner has determined is reasonably necessary to the examination of this application:

- a. A copy of the Next Generation I/O Link Architecture Specification: HCA Specification, Revision 1.0, as set forth by the NGIO Forum on May 13, 1999 (see specification at page 9 lines 19-20 and claim 23).
- b. A copy of the relevant portions of the InfiniBand™ Specification, scheduled to be published in October 2000, describing the operations of adapters (see specification at page 9 lines 10-11 and claim 23).
- c. A copy of the relevant portions of the Virtual Interface (VI) Architecture Specification describing the operations of adapters (see specification at page 9 lines 10-11 and claim 23).
- d. Copies, if any, of InfiniBand™ related documents that were used by the Applicants in the invention process that were available prior to the scheduled publication of the InfiniBand™ Specification in October 2000.

In responding to those requirements that require copies of documents, where the document is a bound text or a single article over 50 pages, the requirement may be met by providing copies of those pages that provide the particular subject matter indicated in the requirement, or where such subject matter is not indicated, the subject matter found in the Applicants' disclosure.

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1           The fee and certification requirements of 37 CFR 1.97 are waived for  
2 those documents submitted in reply to this requirement. This waiver extends  
3 only to those documents within the scope of this requirement under 37 CFR  
4 1.105 that are included in the Applicants' first complete communication in  
5 responding to this requirement. Any supplemental replies subsequent to the first  
6 communication responding to this requirement and any information disclosures  
7 beyond the scope of this requirement under 37 CFR 1.105 are subject to the fee  
8 and certification requirements of 37 CFR 1.97.

9           The Applicants are reminded that the reply to this requirement must be  
10 made with candor and good faith under 37 CFR 1.56. Where the Applicants do  
11 not have or cannot readily obtain an item of required information, a statement  
12 that the item is unknown or cannot be readily obtained will be accepted as a  
13 complete response to the requirement for that item.

14           This requirement is subject to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.134, 1.135, and  
15 1.136 and has a shortened statutory period for response of **TWO (2) MONTHS**.  
16 **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR**  
17 **1.136(a).**

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19           Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from  
20 the examiner should be directed to Andrew Caldwell, whose telephone number is  
21 (703) 306-3036. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F from 9:00 a.m.  
22 to 5:30 p.m. EST.

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24           If attempts to reach the examiner by phone fail, the examiner's supervisor,  
25 Glenton Burgess, can be reached at (703) 305-4792. Additionally, the fax  
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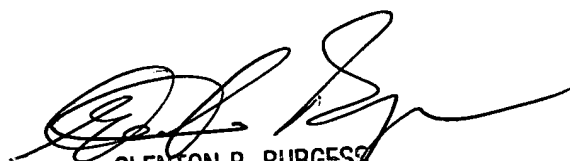
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